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Horse stealing has become quite prevalent in the vicinity of Wichita, and the Eagle calls aloud for hemp and its prompt use, but upon whom it don't say.

Fully one-fourth of the sheep of Montana perished during the winter. Many owners lost their entire flocks. Sheep are worth there from \$4 to \$5 per head.

No less than 2,500 horses, costing an average of \$92 per head, have been brought from Montreal, Canada, into the United States, since 1st January.

A California man is said to have discovered a process for drying and pressing potatoes by which they can be preserved for years without any loss of their flavor or nutritive qualities.

The Los Vegas Hot Springs company have promised to give a free bath in their famous springs to the members of the editorial excursionists. A good warm bath will no doubt do good.

One of the best qualities about the soil in this county is its absorbing capacity. No matter how heavy the rain may be, the plow may be started as soon as the clouds have passed. After the rains, farmers plowed without any inconvenience whatever from mud.

Messrs. Hughes & Sampson have bought the entire herd of horses and cattle of E. B. Millett & Bros., numbering 25,000 cattle and 1,000 horses. The stock is to be delivered in Baylor Co., Texas, the coming season, at \$12 a head, not counting calves.

The Fort Worth Live Stock Journal says: From present indications we think that the market for Texas cattle will open better this spring than it has any year since 1877. In fact, we look for the market to average during the entire season fifty cents per hundred better than last year.

Sixty-seven head of Shorthorns were sold at the West Liberty, Iowa, sale, first day, at prices ranging from \$69 to \$235, four head of the lot bringing over \$200. On the second day 100 were sold at from \$50 to \$425 per head. On the last, 52 brought an average of \$180, the highest sale being at \$300.

The Post says there is a rumor float in Caldwell to the effect that Little Chief, with a band of sixty lodges of Cheyennes, have left their camp near Cantonment for the Black Hills or the Pan Handle of Texas. Little Chief has been mad at the pale faces for about two years, and an Arapahoe chief is authority for the statement that if any Indians leave their agency this spring, it will be Little Chief. He says that the aforesaid Cheyenne is a very bad Indian.

The "grasshopper bulletin" is fast taking rank with the stock and market reports in importance on the Pacific coast. Indications at present favor the ranchmen. Black spiders, which prey upon the 'hoppers, have made their appearance in great numbers, and are described by an imaginative Nevada journalist as sitting cross-legged under every blade of grass, patiently waiting for the grasshopper eggs to hatch, when they make short work of the newly fledged 'hoppers.

Judge Morton, of Topeka, has a couple of pet prairie dogs. He says that they are very faithful barometers, and serve him without being fooled very often. If the weather is to be pleasant, or only a slight shower is to fall, they come out of their holes when he imitates their bark, but if there is to be rain, no amount of coaxing can induce them to show themselves. If these little animals are so trustworthy, they may be a good investment for other people, says the Commonwealth.

IRRIGATION IN KANSAS.

Mr. C. H. Longstreth, of Hutchinson, and for several years the forester of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, in which position he achieved an enviable reputation by his practical ideas in the cultivation of trees, and by the general success he attained in his experiments, has been engaged by the Minnehaha irrigating company to conduct the extensive experiments the company propose to undertake this season to test the practicability of their irrigation scheme, which includes the breaking up of over four hundred acres of new ground this season and putting it under cultivation as early as practicable. All kinds of farm crops, vegetables and fruits, and the growing of forest and fruit trees are to be experimented with. Mr. Longstreth's headquarters will be at Lakin, Kearney county, and he will have charge of the renting of the water to farmers located along the line of the company's ditch in addition to other important duties. We congratulate the irrigating company on having secured so competent a superintendent to take charge of their interests, as Mr. Longstreth's many years of experience in gardening, as well as in forest culture, especially fit him for the work.—Commonwealth.

SHEEP IN KANSAS.

A sheet giving a description of the lands of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad has just been issued by that company, giving a map of the State of Kansas. Of sheep-raising in this state it is said that the fact that over 300,000 have been added to the sheep population of Kansas in the year 1880, is evidence of the great interest taken in this industry in Kansas. Over half of this increase has been made in southwestern Kansas alone, where there are now over 200,000 head, as against about 50,000 in 1879. Two causes have contributed to this: one, the natural excellence of the country itself, its favorable location, its elevation, its pure atmosphere, its comparatively dry winters, its well-drained soil, its abundant supply of nutritious buffalo and grama grasses and cheap winter feed, and the general success of those engaged in the business there for the past five years; the other, the failure of the grasses along the base of the Rocky Mountains during the drought of 1880, forcing sheepmen to seek the more reliable pastures of southwestern Kansas. Over 200,000 head of sheep were driven in a Kansas from Colorado and New Mexico alone during the year 1880. Many of these, however, were driven in on account of the great demand for them along the Arkansas valley, and the consequently better market for disposing of surplus stock. New York State has made large contributions to the sheep wealth of southwestern Kansas during the past year, more especially of thoroughbred rams to cross with the native sheep from the west.—Spirit of Kansas.

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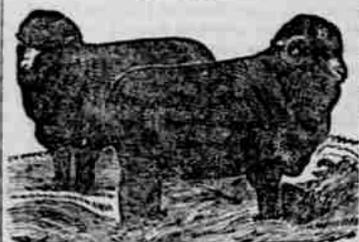
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